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THE DIVISION ON WOMEN AND CRIME
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FROM THE CHAIR

by Chris Rasche

By the time you receive this newsletter, it will only be a short time until the Division on Women and Crime meets again at the annual American Society of Criminology meetings in San Diego. It is somehow always a bit of a shock to realize that another year has gone by so quickly! But plans are well afoot for the San Diego meetings, and our various committees have been busy during the year.

Whether you are in attendance in San Diego or not, there is always room for you on one of the committees or task forces which do the work of the Division. New committees will be forming in November, and you can participate either by coming to the Division Business Meetings (one each on Thursday and Friday mornings at 8:00 a.m.) or by contacting me (crasche@unf.edu or 904-620-2758) and letting me know of your interests. I will be very glad to pass that information on to the new Division Chair.

As a teaching professor, I often find myself marking time by the passage of academic semesters--the predictable, repetitive rhythm of university life. Sometimes, however, the beginning of the fall term comes all-at-once in a surprising rush, and it certainly did that this fall for me. If this happened to you, too, you will know what I mean when I say that I expect

to be seeing you soon. It will be November before we know it! See you in San Diego!

DIVISION HAS A ROOM OF OUR OWN THROUGHOUT THE ASC MEETINGS!

The Division on Women and Crime is scheduled to have a room--the Del Mar Room--all to itself at the Sheraton San Diego for the whole of the ASC meetings in November. We will use it for small meetings, such as the DWC Executive Board Meeting on Wednesday afternoon, and for permanent displays, informal chats, support groups, etc. We can do whatever we want with it!

We were supposed to have the same arrangement last year, but unfortunately the hotel kept locking the door on us and communication about the availability of the room was poor. Hopefully, we will not have those same problems this year!

So bring your brochures, information items, vitae or whatever you would like to leave in the Del Mar Room to share with your Division colleagues. And feel free to meet there---we will keep a list of activities at the DWC Information Booth to prevent competing events for the same space. See you there!

**DIVISION ON WOMEN AND CRIME
ACTIVITIES**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

3:00-4:20 p.m.
Del Mar, West Tower
Division on Women and Crime
Executive Board Meeting

6:30-10:00 p.m.
Bel Aire North and South,
West Tower
Division on Women and Crime
Social Hour

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

8:00-9:20 a.m.
Fairbanks C, West Tower
Division on Women and Crime
Business Meeting I

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

8:00-9:20 a.m.
Fairbanks, C, West Tower
Division on Women and Crime
Business Meeting II

SPONSORED SESSIONS ON PROGRAM:

Wednesday, November 19
1:30-2:50 p.m.,
Grande Ballroom A
#100 - "The ASC Women's
Division: Looking to the Past
and the Future"

Thursday, November 20

9:30-10:50 a.m.
Harbor Island II
#176 - "Feminist Theories and
Women Lawbreakers: New
Directions and Developments,
Part I

1:30-2:50 p.m., Marina II
#212 - "The Nexus of Family
Violence and Substance Abuse
Among Incarcerated Women"

3:00-4:20 p.m. Harbor Island II
#254 - "Feminist Theories and
Women Lawbreakers: New
Directions and Developments,
Part II

**DIVISION CONSTITUTION REVISION
COMMITTEE SUBMITS REVISIONS FOR
MEMBERSHIP APPROVAL THIS FALL**

Susan Krumholz, chair of the
DWC Constitution Revision
Committee, has been busy at
work on revisions to our
outdated Division Constitution
and Bylaws. Draft copies have
been circulated to members and
feedback solicited. Soon it
will be time to vote on the
revisions.

If the membership approves the
revised Constitution and
Bylaws, they have to be
submitted to the ASC Executive
Committee for its approval
before they become final.
Therefore, given the pressures
of time, VOTE IMMEDIATELY WHEN
YOU RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT! We
would like to have the voting
completed in time to submit the
approved revised version to the
ASC Executive Board in San
Diego, if possible. Thanks.

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Volunteers are solicited to
staff the Division's Outreach
Table at the 1997 annual
meeting in San Diego. If you
are looking for an opportunity
to meet and greet colleagues
and publicize the Division in a
relaxed atmosphere, consider
working the Outreach Table. If
you are willing to spare an
hour of your time at the
Division Table, contact the
Outreach Committee Chair,
Evelyn Gilbert, at 904-760-
7746, or by email at
gilbert@cookman.edu.

ATTENTION: TO OUR INTERNATIONAL MEMBERS

Those members of the Division who live outside the U.S. may feel a need to communicate further. For those interested in some more organized avenues of communication, let Betsy Stanko or Nancy Grosselfinger know during the San Diego meetings. We will sound out your needs and wishes.

DIVISION ELECTIONS COMING UP!

The Division will hold its annual election by mail this fall. This year we elect a Division Chair and Executive Counselors. You should receive a list of nominees and a ballot soon--be sure to vote promptly, because the results will be reported in San Diego and the new Division Chair and Executive Counselors will assume their offices then!

IN TOUCH WITH THE DIVISION MEMBERS

With the hectic pace of the annual meetings (not to mention our busy professional and personal lives!), we often lose track of what other Division members are doing. Here is our chance to stay in contact with one another.

Congratulations to Roslyn Muraskin for her promotion to Full Professor at Long Island University. She is the Director for both the Long Island Women's Institute and Alumni Development for the College of Management at the C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University.

Professor Muraskin is currently working on the second edition of Visions for Change: Crime and Justice in the Twenty-First Century to be published by Prentice Hall, Fall 1998. She has signed a contract with

Prentice Hall to develop a new book, Morality and Law (working title). Also look for her article, "Disparate Treatment in Jails: Development of a Measurement Instrument," in American Jails (July/August 1997) Volume SI, Number 3.

Dr. Muraskin has been selected by Gordon and Breach Publishers to edit a new journal on Women and the Law. The first edition will be a comparative analysis of women and justice throughout the world. She continues as Editor-in-Chief of The Justice Professional. A call for papers for both journals is on page 4 of this issue.

Congratulations to Betsy Stanko for her appointment as the Director of the Economic and Social Research Council's Violence Research Programme. This is a five year job, with 80 percent of her university appointment devoted to the programme. Its funding is 3.5 million pounds. Her job specifies that she is required to publicize research about the meaning of violence, influence social policy, and blend the research findings into the practice of those working with victims of violence. Professor Stanko says that she thought she was doing this already; however, she was never paid for it!

Claire Renzetti sends an update of her office phone number and email address for the members. Professor Renzetti can be reached at (610) 660-1680 or crenzeti@sju.edu

CALL FOR PAPERS

Women and the Law

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Women and the Law is a new journal dedicated to women's issues. Each journal will be edited by Roslyn Muraskin but written by individual(s) who wish to contribute something to the literature regarding women and the law.

The first edition will be dedicated to Women and the Law: A Comparative Analysis. An edition under review will be dedicated to Women of Color and the Treatment by the Criminal Justice System.

If you have an idea for a work that deals with women, this is the vehicle for such a publication. Submit to Dr. Muraskin in outline form, your ideas and a sample chapter for such a publication. Each publication will be reviewed and accepted on its merits.

You may work with others on this publication or by yourself. For further information, please call (516) 299-3146.

This work will be published by Gordon & Breach Publishers with offices and distribution throughout the world.

The Justice Professional is a refereed journal published quarterly by the Gordon & Breach Publishing Group. It is housed at the C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University.

The Justice Professional publishes articles that deal with substantive criminal justice and criminological issues. We welcome articles in fields relevant to criminal justice, such as publish administration and public affairs. Literature review and summary reports of innovative research projects will be considered.

Typewritten double-spaced manuscripts must be submitted in quadruplicate to Roslyn Muraskin, Ph.D., Editor, THE JUSTICE PROFESSIONAL, School of Public Service, College of Management, C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University, 720 Northern Blvd., Roth Hall 118, Brookville, NY 11548-1300. An abstract of not more than 100 words, as well as a brief biographical statement describing each author's current affiliation and rank should accompany the manuscript. The Justice Professional regards submissions to the journal as commitment to publishing herein. Permission for use of copyright materials are the responsibility of the author.

Manuscripts should not exceed 20 typewritten, double-spaced pages. All footnotes, references, tables, figures and illustrations must be camera ready on eight and one half by eleven wide paper. Footnotes and bibliographic citation must follow the journal style based upon that followed by the American Psychological Association (APA). Since manuscripts are sent out anonymously for editorial evaluation, the author's name should only appear on a separate cover page.

**DIVISION NEWSLETTER NEEDS NEW
EDITOR(S) FOR 1998-2000**

by Chris Rasche

They have been warning us all this past year: the current trio of editors of this newsletter (Zoann Snyder-Joy, Susan Caulfield and Susan Caringella-MacDonald) are retiring from the editorship effective this November. They promised to do the job for three years, and so they have! Rotating the job among themselves (Zoann Snyder-Joy edited this issue, for example), they managed to help keep us all in touch with each other.

There is no way to overstate the importance of a good newsletter for an international organization such as the Division on Women and Crime. We see each other once a year, if we are lucky, and most of the work of the Division goes on during the year in many far-flung locations. Keeping the connections alive are important for such an organization. Of course, I will be the first to admit that newsletter editing is not necessarily an simple or easy job--putting out a newsletter involves creative writing and harassing people for information, and then putting up with criticism when its not quite what people were expecting! But it can also be really interesting and fulfilling, and it can be a one-person or small-group kind of job, for those who might be looking for that kind of assignment. A small group of volunteers can rotate the job around (as Susan, Susan and Zoann have done) or they can divide up the various tasks in true team fashion.

But, regardless of the way it is accomplished, new volunteers are needed now to carry on the important work of putting out the newsletter two or three times a year for the next several years. Feel free to contact me (crasche@unf.edu or 904-620-2758) if you want to know more about this assignment.

Needless to say, the Division owes Susan, Susan and Zoann a big round of applause and lots of gratitude. I understand that none of them will be in San Diego, so send your appreciative remarks to them directly at Western Michigan. They deserve it.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

by Zoann Snyder-Joy

A HUGE, heartfelt "Thank-you-we-could-not-have-done-this-without-you" to Sarah Hall. I know that I have called Sarah on numerous (countless) occasions and asked for her assistance (more like rescue) which she always provided. Thank you to Chris Rasche and all of the other Division members who have helped us over the past three years. I have really enjoyed this task, especially the part where I am the first person to see what the DivisioNews looks like! I gladly recommend this job to the next editor(s). That's all from the "Western" front.

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